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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application (☐ Design ☒ Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title:

OPTICAL MICROSCOPE APPARATUS USING CONVERGENT BEAM AS
ILLUMINATION LIGHT

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:

3. ☒ Abstract 1 page(s).4. 97 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. ☐ Specification in non-English language

6. 39 Numbered claim(s); and

7. ☒ Drawings: 38 sheet(s) ☐ 1 set informal; 8. ☒ formal of size: ☒ A4 ☐ 11"9. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1)		(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		(6)	

10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in JAPAN

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 2000-076454	March 17, 2000	(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		<input type="checkbox"/> See 3 rd page for additional priorities	

11. 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. _____ / _____ filed on _____12. ☐ This is a reissue of Patent No. _____13. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is there and do not complete item 14 or 15.)

14. This application claims benefit of the following prior US application(s), the contents of which are incorporated into this application by this reference:

No. _____ / _____ filed _____
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 No. _____ / _____ filed _____

15. ☐ See the attached Preliminary Amendment, which amends the specification to claim benefit of the above listed US applications16. Extension to date: ☐ concurrently filed ☐ not needed ☐ previously filed17. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed (pre-filing confirmation required)17(a) ☐ Attached: (No.) Small Entity Statement(s). (Since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statement not essential to make claim)17(b) ☐ See NONPUBLICATION REQUEST under Rule 213(a) attached (Pat-258)

18. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

by Assignment recorded _____ Reel _____ Frame _____

19. ☐ Attached:

20. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) (Double check instructions for accuracy):
(Listing of inventor(s) not a requirement, but list if known)

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21. NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, "X" ☐ and list additional inventors on attached sheet (incorporated by reference)

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